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FOR CHIEFS OF MISSION - INFORM CONSULS

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SUBJECT: SECURITY: POSSIBLE TERRORIST INCENTIVES

1. TWO EVENTS MAY PROVOKE TERRORISTS WHO REMAIN OPPOSED TO RECENT PROGRESS TOWARD MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT: (1) THE VISIT BY THE PRESIDENT TO THE AREA; AND, (2) THE ACCELERATED TRIAL IN KHARTOUM OF MURDERERS OF TWO OF OUR OFFICERS AND BELGIAN DIPLOMAT IN MARCH, 1973. IN LATTER INSTANCE, SUDANESE COURT MAY RULE ON GUILT OR INNOCENCE OF ASSASSINS AS EARLY AS MID-JUNE AND PRESIDENT NIMEIRI WOULD THUS BE FACED WITH OPTIONS, IN CASE OF GUILT, OF CONFIRMATION OR COMMUTATION OF SENTENCES. SUDANESE GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN UNDER STEADY PRESSURE FROM TERRORIST ELEMENTS TO RELEASE MURDERERS AND THUS FAR HAS RESISTED SAME. OUTCOME OF TRIAL AND LIKELY NIMEIRI FOLLOW UP ARE DIFFICULT TO PREDICT.

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2. DEPARTMENT IS UNAWARE OF ANY HARD THREATS AFFECTING US CITIZENS IN CONNECTION WITH EITHER THE PRESIDENTIAL TRIP OR THE KHARTOUM TRIAL. IN THE PAST, HOWEVER, SOME TERRORISTS HAVE BEEN INSPIRED BY DRAMATIC EVENTS SUCH AS THESE TO ENGAGE IN SPECTACULAR TERRORIST ACTS TO ENHANCE PUBLICITY FOR THEIR PARTICULAR CAUSES. IT WOULD BE PRUDENT THEREFORE TO INCREASE YOUR ALREADY HIGH STATE OF VIGILANCE IN THE

LIGHT OF THE POSSIBILITY RPT POSSIBILITY OF NEW THREATS AFFECTING OUR PERSONNEL OR OTHER INTERESTS. KISSINGER

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